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U.S. Patents Documents

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4,111,478	Pompei et al.	09-05-78
4,386,799	Molnar	06-07-83

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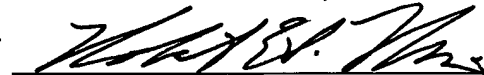
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